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Michael Carome, MD is the director of Public Citizen's Health Research Group (HG) and joined our staff in January of 2011, initially serving as deputy director of HRG. Carome is an expert on issues of drug and medical device safety, pharmacy compounding, Food and Drug Administration oversight, healthcare policy, and the protection of human research subjects.

Carome was a senior leader at the Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP) within the Department of Health and Human Services. He retired from the U.S. Public Health Service in 2010 after serving more than 24 years in uniformed service, attaining the rank of captain. As OHRP's associate director for regulatory affairs from 2002 to 2010, he became a nationally and internationally recognized expert on the protection of human research subjects. He also was a staff nephrologist at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center's (WRAMC's) Department of Medicine from 1992 to 2010.

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